

#3  
CASE OP/4-32592A

<p><b>FILING BY "EXPRESS MAIL" UNDER 37 CFR 1.10</b></p> <p><u>EV 443788405 US</u></p> <p>Express Mail Label Number</p>	<p><b>10/521946</b></p> <p><u>January 21, 2005</u></p> <p>Date of Deposit</p> <p><b>DT01 Rec'd PCT/PTC 21 JAN 2005</b></p>
---	--

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE PCT NATIONAL STAGE APPLICATION OF

AUKUNURU ET AL.

INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO: PCT/EP03/08005

FILED: 22 JULY 2003

U.S. APPLICATION NO: Not Yet Assigned

35 USC §371 DATE:

FOR: OPHTHALMIC OINTMENT COMPOSITION COMPRISING A DRUG, AN  
OINTMENT BASE AND A SOLUBILIZING/DISPERSING AGENT

**MS: Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:


This paper is being filed within three months of the date of entry of the national stage as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.491 of the international application. Therefore, no fees are required. If a fee is deemed to be required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fee to Deposit Account No. 19-0134.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.56, applicants wish to call the Examiner's attention to the references cited on the attached form(s) PTO-1449.

The listed references were cited in the international stage search report. Since these references are of record in the instant PCT application PCT/EP03/08005, copies are not enclosed herewith.

The Examiner is requested to consider the foregoing information in relation to this application and indicate that each reference was considered by returning a copy of the initialed PTO 1449 form(s).

Respectfully submitted,

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Susan Hess  
Attorney for Applicants  
Reg. No. 37,350

Novartis  
Corporate Intellectual Property  
One Health Plaza, Building 104  
East Hanover, NJ 07936-1080  
(862) 778-7859  
Date: January 21, 2005

ALL REFERENCES CONSIDERED EXCEPT WHERE LINED THROUGH. /S.B./

## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE CITATION

(Use several sheets if necessary)

DT01 Rec'd PCT/PTC 21 JAN 2005

Sheet 1 of 1

ATTY. DOCKET  
OP/4-32592A  
APPLICATION NO.  
Not Yet Assigned  
APPLICANT  
AUKUNURU ET AL.  
FILING DATE

10/521946

Group

## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE
/S.B./	AA	5,385,907	1/31/95	Asakura et al.			
	AB						
	AC						
	AD						
	AE						
	AF						
	AG						
	AH						
	AI						
	AJ						
	AK						
	AL						

## FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	OFFICE	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION	
							YES	NO
	AM	WG 03 074054	8/12/03	WIPO			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	AN	EP 1 082 966	3/14/01	EP			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	AO						<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	AP						<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	AQ						<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

## OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent pages, Etc.)

	AR	Database WPI, Section Ch, Week 200251, Derwent Publications, Ltd., Class A96, An 2002-472193 & en 199 010, (2002) & us 2002/173510 (Lid et al.); 2002, abstract.
	AS	
	AT	

EXAMINER /Sean Basquill/ (02/18/2009)

DATE CONSIDERED 02/18/2009

\*EXAMINER: Initial of reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609: Draw a line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include a copy of this form with the next communication to applicant.

ALL REFERENCES CONSIDERED EXCEPT WHERE LINED THROUGH. /S.B./